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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend  
the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 8 of the  
specification with the following replacement paragraph:

A. This application is a division of commonly-owned U.S. Application Serial  
No. 09/397,331, filed on September 14, 1999, entitled "Method and System for  
Copyright Protection of Digital Images Transmitted Over Networks," which is a  
continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/313,067, filed May 17,  
1999, entitled "Methods And Apparatus For Preventing Reuse of Text, Images  
And Software Transmitted Via Networks."